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House Bill 2625

FISCAL NOTE

By Delegates Skaff, Rowe, and Walker

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Intr HB 2021R2166

1 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section,

designated §3-2-45, relating to permitting election day registration of voters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

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ARTICLE 2. REGISTRATION OF VOTERS.

§3-2-45. Registration of voters on election day.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provisions and requirements of this article, beginning with the general election of 2022, the Secretary of State shall make available at polling places during general elections, voter registration applications for individuals who desire to register and vote the day of the general election.

(b) Upon satisfactorily completing the application and providing any accompanying documentation required, the individual registering may cast a ballot, which will be treated as a challenged ballot pursuant to provisions of §3-1-41 of this code. The application form and documentation required shall conform as closely as possible to the requirements stated in this code for registering at other times or under other circumstances and should be no more stringent.

(c) The Secretary of State is hereby directed to propose rules for legislative approval in accordance with the provisions of §29A-3-1 *et seq.* of this code in accordance with the provisions of this section.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to provide for election-day registration of voters.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.